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REMARKS

Applicants have amended the specification to correct an unintentional clerical error in the Sequence Listing filed on August 13, 2003 for the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:1) set forth in Genbank accession number XP_011828, which is incorporated by reference into the application. On page 6, lines 14-16, of the specification, the subject application indicates that “[a]s used herein, the "GLUTx protein" has the amino acid sequence corresponding to Genbank accession number XP_011828.” Further, on page 49, lines 27-28, the application states “[a]ll publications mentioned hereinabove are hereby incorporated in their entireties.” A paper copy, dated June 18, 2001, of the amino acid sequence in Genbank accession number XP_011828 was submitted as Exhibit 1 of applicants’ response filed on April 1, 2003. In applicants’ response filed on August 13, 2003, applicants submitted a Sequence Listing that was intended to be identical to the previously submitted paper copy of the amino acid sequence corresponding to Genbank accession number XP_011828. However, due to an unintentional clerical error, a mistake was made in copying one of the single letter codes for the sequence. The amino acid at position 55 in the sequence should be “q” or glutamine (Gln). By mistake, the Sequence Listing submitted on August 13, 2003 recites, in error, “g” or glycine (Gly) at position 55. The present Sequence Listing is being filed to correct this error.

Applicants maintain that the amendments to the specification do not raise an issue of new matter. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request that the Amendment be entered.

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A paper copy of a Sequence Listing is provided as **Exhibit 1** (3 pages) and a computer readable form of the Sequence Listing on a floppy disk is attached hereto. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f), the Sequence Listing information recorded in computer readable form and filed herewith is identical to the paper copy of the Sequence Listing attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks made hereinabove, applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejections set forth in the July 17, 2003 Final Office Action and earnestly solicit allowance of the claims under examination, namely claims 1-20.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this response. However, if any fee is required to preserve the pending of the subject application, authorization is hereby given to charge any such fee to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

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